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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated September 5, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests amendment and reconsideration of the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Specification are listed on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.